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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT/SPECIES ELECTION

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This response is in reply to the Office Action mailed April 27, 2010, in which a Restriction Requirement/Species Election was set forth relative to the Examiner-identified inventions of Group I (claims 25-41, 49 and 50, drawn to a semiconductor structure) and Group II (claims 42-48, drawn to a method of forming a semiconductor structure). In response, Applicant hereby elects Group I, Species Ib (claims 25-41, 49 and 50) without traverse.

Having thus addressed the Restriction Requirement imposed by the Examiner, examination of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

Please consider this a Petition for Extension of Time for a sufficient number of months to enter these papers, if appropriate. At any time during the pendency of this application, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 500471.

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